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Committee to pick president for NC

A new president for Niagara College will be chosen by a presidential selection committee presided over by Mrs. Eleanor Lancaster, chairman of personnel for the board of governors.

The committee will consist of one member each from the faculty, administration, support staff and student body, W. H. Burton, chairman of the board of governors, told the Niagara News.

Anthony S. Manera resigned as college president as of January, 1978.

"We are very sorry to see him go; he has done an outstanding job for the college," Mr. Burton said. "When he came, there were bad feelings between faculty and the administration, but as a result of patience, understanding and fair dealing, he was able to resolve the problems. It is quite evident from anyone you talk to there is a good spirit throughout the college."

Mr. Burton said that although the board is sorry to lose Mr. Manera, it wishes him and his family success, good luck, and good health in their new venture.

Asked whether the board had anyone in mind for the position, Mr. Burton said there is no one in mind yet. The board will likely hire an agency to advertise and screen applicants, he said. The presidential selection committee will interview applicants and narrow the field down to about three people. From those, the board will choose the new president.

The faculty member on the committee will be chosen by the faculty union, the administration member by the management committee, the support staff member by the executive of their union, and the student member by the Student Administrative Council.

No, this is not the St. Lawrence Seaway; it is the Welland area after the September storms. (Photo by Mathias)

Challenge lies ahead, memories left behind

By ROB KELLY

Re-affirming his commitment to be an educator first and an administrator second, Anthony Manera is resigning as president of Niagara College effective January, 1978.

Mr. Manera will become president of Vancouver Community College in Vancouver, B.C., some time in February.

Although his new administrative duties will be more complex in Vancouver than ever before in his career, Mr. Manera said, "It would be easy for a president to be concerned with the dollars and cents, the bricks and mortar part of the operation, and have nothing to do with the real substance of what the institution exists for."

TENDS TO INSULATE

He said that position would tend to insulate the individual forom the essence of what the institution was all about, and he would lose his effectiveness because he would continually view things from an administrator's perspective. Mr. Manera believes a president should be primarily concerned with the educational quality of the enterprise.

Of Niagara College, the president said, "There are very stringent financial constraints applied to the college. We've been able to streamline the organization. Generally speaking, I think we're probably at the point where it's almost impossible to reduce our costs any more without actually cutting out programs."

FUTURE BRIGHT

The president said the future of Niagara College looks fairly bright. Adjustments will have to be made, he said, because the financial situation is tight and will get tighter.

"There is no question there will be a difficult period ahead, just as there have been difficulties in the past," Mr. Manera said. He felt the college would be left in good hands though, and expressed his gratitude to the large number of dedicated people involved in all aspects of the school.

A. S. MANERA

Mr. Manera was in his sixth year as president of Niagara when the announcement came. He had been contemplating some kind of move for about a year and had been thinking of the move to British Columbia since the position was first advertised three or four months ago.

Mr. Manera cited the challenge of operating a larger, multi-campus community college and the difference in college programing as the two main reasons why he chose to make the move. He said because Vancouver Community College has about 13,000 full-time students, it offers a broader range of programs. There are only three universities in British Columbia and the president is looking forward to dealing with that new facet of responsibility.

Mr . Manera lives in St. Catharines with his wife, Raffaella, and their daughter and son. The family has moved many times before. Though they have the usual anxieties about moving on, the president said each move has turned out for the best and he expected this one would, too.

He said the Niagara region had been good to them and they had made many friends they were reluctant to leave.

He viewed the move to Vancouver as a challenge.

"I think most of us do our best work when we are challenged—at least I do."

210 mm fell

So you didn't like the rain. . .

So you think the weather is rotten.

The parking lot looks like the Welland Canal during a monsoon and you can just make out your car through the driving rain by the bolts of lightning hitting all around you. So you trudge out to your car, which is awash in the refuse of backed up storm sewers, wishing the Lord would either part the waters or let you walk on them. Things couldn't be worse, right? Wrong, it could be snowing.

The weather office at a Welland Fire Station said that more than 210 mm of rain had fallen, as of Sept. 27. A rough way of converting rain into a like amount of snow, would be to multiply by 10. That would be 2100 mm of snow, or approximately 84 inches. Eighty-four inches is SEVEN FEET.

WHERE ARE WE?

What kind of visions does that conjure up? People in search of the parking lot wandering off

During the great blizzard and Niagara student sleep-in last year snowfall for the month of January topped out at a little more than 140 mm. That is 2½ feet less than what we would into a blinding white horizon and never being seen again. Whiteouts while driving down Niagara Street and finding yourself buried in a drift in the middle of Port Colborne when your destination was St. Catharines..

The weather forecast for today is rain ending after rain both Saturday and Sunday. Low temperature near 10 and high near 21. Outlook for Tuesday, clearing and cool.

Thief still at large on Woodlawn campus

A thief is at large on the Woodlawn campus.

Twenty-five dollars was stolen Sept. 19 from Liz Mathias, a second-year journalism student, and materials were taken from the secretarial department Sept. 22.

Liz had left a purse in the girl's change room in the phys ed complex while she was attending a recreation and leisure class.

She reported the theft immediately to Peter Rylander, co-ordinator of the athletic department. The money was not recovered.

Mr. Rylander said no other thefts have been reported to him this year and he can remember only about three such incidents last year.

Although there are no lockers in the change rooms, Mr. Rylander said "there are safeguards." He suggested that valuables be left in personal college lockers, or kept within the owner's sight.

Typewriter ribbons and spools were also stolen from one of the typing rooms in the Mackenzie building.

Irene Hanlin, co-ordinator of secretarial sciences, said she noticed the equipment was missing Sept. 22. "There's nothing much we can do about it," she said. "We certainly can't police it, for lack of staff. We have to rely on people's honesty."

A. S. Aboud, director of student services, said no thefts have been reported to his office this year. Last year, one coat was stolen, but was later recovered.

"The dressing room is traditionally the most vulnerable area," Mr. Aboud said. "People could wander in without anyone knowing it."

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BULLETIN

A total expenditure of $3,879.42 to buy new copying equipment for the Student Administrative Council (SAC) was approved at the first SAC meeting of the year Sept. 29. The equipment will replace unsuitable equipment bought last year.

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Trial course sea of mud

MUD! MUD! and more MUD!

Trials riders from the Niagara peninsula who competed in the trials held at the McPherson Farm in Fonthill on Sunday, Sept. 25, got more than they bargained for.

What was normally a scenic trials course was now a sea of mud. That did not seem to deter the riders as they rode the course regardless of the conditions.

The riders were caked with mud after completing one lap of the tortuous course. The scheduled five laps were completed and Trevor Howarth of Toronto was the winner.

After the event the riders sat around the pits talking over the events when one rider said, "It could have been worse, we might have had three feet of snow."

Niagara News put out earlier

The Niagara News will be distributed the earliest ever this year. Paste-up will take place as usual every second Thursday of the term and the edition will be on the newsstands on the Woodlawn campus by 10.30 a.m. by the following Monday.

Copies of each edition should be delivered to satellite campuses no later than the next day. Mail copies of the News will go out on the Monday.

Bruno Degazio, custodian in the Simcoe Building, was kept busy for almost a week mopping up floors after the roof leaked, flooding sections of all three floors. (Photo by Kelly)

Chinese water torture

Simcoe building goes underwater

Heavy rain and inefficient roof construction were responsible for water seepage throughout the Simcoe building in September

The teletype room in the journalism department, lecture room S309, S307 and numerous corridors had major leaks.

Dried water stains on the walls, lampshades and books in the office of Edmund Wilson, program co-ordinator of general college diploma, show that the problem is not new. It has been going on for years Mr. Wilson said, sort of like the Chinese water torture.

Recent roof construction has actually worsened the problem for a short time to remedy it. A construction worker involved in the retarring of the Simcoe building said too much moisture is causing most of the delay in completing the roof as the hot tar is not able to adhere properly to the surface.

Plant and property manager, Jack Spittle outlined the operation in more detail. Mr. Spittle said cracks had developed in the roofing felt used in the construction in 1965. An insulator was not functioning properly when in contact with the felt. The entire roofing surface has had to be replaced as a result.

The difference in the reconstruction of the roof is that although the materials used are identical, a layer of tar separates the roofing felt and the insulator. The major concern now is to finish the roof as quickly as the heavy rains allow, with a minimum of damage to the college facilities.

AT PRESS:

The Simcoe Building with the exception of some flashing around the edges is now dry.

Satellite to serve radio operators

Niagara College is in touch with t he world via satellite.

The Amateur Radio Club at the college has access to an amateur radio satellite courtesy of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

John Wiltshire, president of the club, says the satellite went into orbit as part of a NASA space launch. NASA felt since much primary radio research is done by amateurs, it would be a gesture of appreciation to all amateur radio operators.

A major project of the club this year is the construction of slow scan television equipment with world-wide capabilities. The club now has a base station which reaches world-wide.

Parent amateur radio organizations are running contests to improve operating procedures. John said members of Niagara's club plan to enter and win some of these contests.

The club has about 30 members this year and plans to conduct classes for members only in morse code and radio theory. The classes which will enable people to apply for their amateur radio licences will be held during the double lunch either Tuesdays or Thursdays.

CUSO jobs for students

The opportunity for Niagara College students to work overseas for two years and contribute to world development exists in the form of the Canadian Universities Service Organization (CUSO).

Developing non-communist countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean need the help of Canadian college and university students, specifically in the fields of technology, education, health and agriculture.

CUSO supplies life insurance, travel and health expenses and resettlement in Canada as well as the chance to live and work with underprivileged people in a foreign country.

Students graduating this year must apply as soon as possible to allow for application processing time. The CUSO representative for Niagara College is James Nicholas, sociology instructor. He can be reached at extension 391 or at his office S210.

Jim Clark heads student senate at Wellandvale

A lack of contentious issues did not stop students at the Wellandvale campus from turning out in numbers to vote in a new student senate.

Almost 40 per cent of the 304 students voted Jim Clark, a welding student, as president of the senate. Vice-president will be Ron Winstanley, who is in academic upgrading. Allan Nault, also in academic upgrading will be treasurer, and Lynn Derocher of accounting will be secretary. Harry Mueller will be events chairperson; he is in academic upgrading.

Former president Allan Lennox offered congratulations to the winners and thanked all those who voted.

Few spectators show for first college plays

Four one-act plays were presented by Niagara theatre arts students in the Hamilton Room Sept. 27.

A handful of students, mostly from the Theatre Centre, collected to watch the excellent acting of a five-man cast, supported by a seven-member technical crew under the management of Kathy Kerr.

The review sketches, written by British playwright Harold Pinter, all struck a humorous note and roles were effectively portrayed.

John Rapsey, program co-ordinator, said before the presentation began that this was a class project undertaken by first and second-year theatre arts students. "We're working at setting up the stage within 10 minutes today it took 13 minutes."

Costume change, voice projection and facial expressions were extremely good, especially considering that students took only two weeks to prepare the sketches. Ron Mayer performed in all four sketches, and his acting was comical and well-executed.

Lack of publicity accounted for the small audience, but there will be five more opportunities for Niagara College students to see the work of the theatre students.

Beginning tomorrow plays will be presented at no cost to the public for five consecutive Tuesdays. Performances begin at 12.15 p.m. and are "mostly humorous and basically of interest to the college audience," Mr. Rapsey said.

Theatre students to produce comedy

By NANCY LIEBAU

Niagara College theatre students are handling the technical side of production for Welland Little Theatre this year.

"It will be an incredible undertaking" on the students' part, David Davies, Niagara chairman of human development, said. The college faculty will do the designing, but students will handle all other technical aspects of the productions.

The Little Theatre has been operating for more than 30 years, but last year for the first time no production was staged, partly due to lack of backstage manpower. Using Niagara College students to help "run the show" will reinforce the community feeling of the productions, Mr. Davies said.

Performing space has been a problem in the past, as since 1967 performances have been held at Centennial High School in Welland in an auditorium unsuitably sized for the audiences attracted.

"We'd like to find a 200-seat theatre and run the play for eight nights, instead of running the play only three nights in such a large theatre," Mr. Davies said.

The most important advantage of this project to the theatre arts students is the "community involvement."

The Niagara College Theatre Centre is "not an acting school," and this effort will provide valuable experience in technical production for the students.

Frank Canino, a professional director, is being brought in to help with the first production next month of W. S. Gilbert's Engaged, a farce-comedy of the Victorian era.

"We will carry the Victorian theme through, with the interior converted into a Victorian dress." Students will paint backdrops to help create the Victorian effect.

NEW SAC EXECUTIVE

This is the 1977-78 Student Administrative Council [SAC] executive. Front row from left to right are Debbie Coplen, paid full-time secretary; Pam Walker, club convener; and Vivian Burnaccioni, vice-president, finance. Back row from left to right are Lynn Brennan, vice-president, internal affairs; Brian Rohe, president; Doug Radelja, vice-president, athletics; and Greg Bevan, vice-president, external affairs. Absent is John Rocca, executive vice-president. SAC will hold general meetings every second Tuesday starting Oct. 11. (Photo by Newell)

Berj works in dental lab.

Accept first male student in dental hygiene program

Berj Basmajian, 24, is the first male to be accepted into the one-year-old dental hygiene program at Niagara College.

"When I discovered my grades weren't high enough to be a dentist, dental hygiene seemed the best choice," Berj said.

After a year of general science in Toronto, Berj took a year of business but said it "wasn't my cup of tea," and took the dental assistant course at Seneca College which led him to Niagara.

Berj was accepted at St. Clair College but came to Niagara because he was told "Niagara's dental hygiene course had a good reputation," and because Niagara is closer to home—Toronto.

"We are pleased to have a male student in the course and I believe each person should have the right to do what he wants to," Barbara Zaritsky, dental hygiene co-ordinator, said.

Berj hopes job prejudice will not interfere with his finding employment when he graduates.

"I like the course and my classmates make me feel like my presence is nothing unusual."

To meet more people Berj plans to join the volleyball team at Niagara.

TV Ontario works with NC students

Third-year radio and television students have been chosen to work with the educational network TV Ontario, channel 19, in the production of educational films this year.

Alan Cullimore, film instructor, radio and television program, said TV Ontario talked to a number of schools but only a few were chosen to participate in the project.

He said he was "very flattered that we were one of the handful of colleges that was picked."

Aim of the project is to involve third-year students in the production of the films on a monthly basis.

Tim Davy, Peter Williams and Tim Sauder have completed the first eight-minute film clip on sex education shown on a 60-minute show called Speaking Out on Sept. 26.

Teachers involved with sex education programs in the St. Catharines area were interviewed for the film.

The students work independently on the filming, with Mr. Cullimore acting as technical supervisor.

Mr. Cullimore said producing films sold in the commercial world is beneficial to the students because it "serves as a bridge between the college and the real world."

The only problems with this new project are that it is time-consuming and there are a limited number of third-year students.

Tim Sauder said he "learned to work with deadlines and under a completely professional atmosphere without money."

THIEF cont'd from page 1

Asked what measures can be taken after such a theft occurs, Mr. Aboud said,"We can only call the police, really. We're very restricted internally." He suggested that students report thefts to his office in the Black Walnut building leaving their name, program, and nature of the theft.

"Students should evercise extreme caution at all times," Mr. Aboud advised. "This includes cars—lock them."

GRIPES: interior design graduates second class :Firlotte

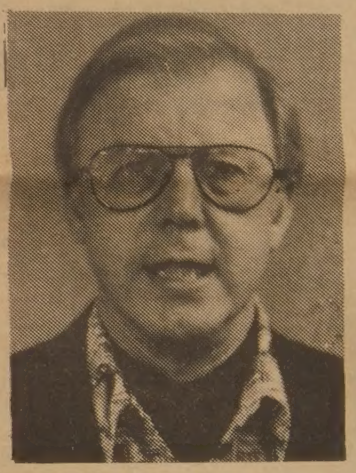
Niagara's interior design graduates are "second class citizens" in the working world, because of the lack of a third year, according to Paul Firlotte, co-ordinator of interior design.

"The college is making second class citizens out of our students; they are unable to compete with graduates coming out of three year programs from other colleges and universities across Ontario," Mr. Firlotte said.

The guidelines laid down by the Interior Design Boards of Ontario and Canada say that a certified interior designer must be the graduate of a program of at least thre years' duration."

As things stand now interior design grads can only get jobs as assistants and design technicians—a definite step below a qualified interior designer. Mr. Firlotte said he tries to place design grads in the third year of other programs across Ontario, but those courses are already filled to overflowing and out of 18 grads last year only five were placed in other programs.

"I have grads now working in the industry just waiting for a third year to be added to my program," he said. "One of my grads posted a $5,000 bond and spent over $3,000 in tuition just to attend the University of Syracuse, New York to get that third year. It's just not fair to the students."



PAUL FIRLOTTE

What are the chances of a third year being added to the interior design program?, Mr. Firlotte said he was promised a third year by the Board of Governors of Niagara College in early 1976, but was turned down by the Council of Regents.

The council has now given approval for a third year, but budget problems remain.

"I really hope we are successful; everyone I've talked to agrees that what this program really needs is a third year," Mr. Firlotte said. "The minister of colleges and universities was here not too long ago and he agreed as well. I really hope we get it."

Need more co-operation: graphic arts co-ordinator

Graphic Arts needs to get greater co-operation from the administration, according to Alex Merzanis, graphic arts co-ordinator.

Major revisions of both course content and equipment layout are under way in graphic arts. The only problem "is getting it off the ground," Mr. Merzanis said.

"One thing I've learned to accept since I joined the faculty is that things move a lot slower in the college than they do in industry."

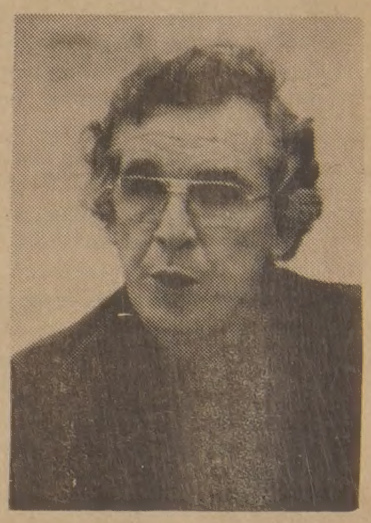
The changes in course curriculum came easily because he and his staff were able to take care of it themselves. The physical alterations are holding everything up.

"I was hoping to have everything completed and ready for the beginning of the year," he said. We're still waiting to start." Like any other college course graphic arts depends on the co-operation of the administration and according to Mr. Merzanis, they are not getting *100 per cent.*

"Our graduates are getting strong recognition from the industry," he said. "What we need is strong recognition from the administration."

Employers are willing to take 5,000 hours off an 8,000 hour graphic arts apprenticehsip for Niagara graphic arts grads — which works out to 2½ years credit for a two-year course.

Graphic arts students wil be taking a much more intensive course than previously, Mr. Merzanis said. Last year fine arts in general and silk screening in particular were taught "at the expense of more meaningful phases of graphic art production." This year the course will emphasize the "mechanics of art" — concentrating more on the *production side of the industry.*



ALEX MERZANIS

Mr. Merzanis said he has been trying to educate the administration on the needs of graphic arts, but has not been getting very far. The cold type department is very important to graphic arts and according to Mr. Merzanis it is "really inadequate."

"Sometimes I wonder how they do it, but the students here manage to learn in spite of us," he said.

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EDITORIAL

'Farewell and good luck'

I thought it would be great. I'm editor of the paper so I get to write an editorial and express my opinions on anything I want. But, darn it all anyway. I couldn't think of anything to write my editorial on.

You'd never realize how difficult it is to write an editorial until you try. Being a college paper we can't express our opinions in a manner we are accustomed to. That point narrowed down my topics considerably.

I tossed various ideas around in my head as to what the topic of my editorial would be, such as Mr. Manera's resignation as president of the college. But that presented another problem. I don't know anything about him. The next question I asked myself was: Why don't we know anything about him?

Is it because of our lack of interest in the office of the president or is it ignorance on our part? I mean what does the man do? I'll bet 10 to one that you don't know any more about him than I do. It's ridiculous. We are continually hearing about other people from the college who are less important than he is but we know practically nothing about him.

Other people tell me that Mr. Manera has done a good job as president but I'll bet that 95 per cent of the students attending the college can't name five things he has done to benefit us.

It makes me wonder how a student who has attended the college for one, two or three years at the most has any way of assessing the work the president has done. Somebody should be responsible for informing us on what the president does. But who? The president? The faculty? Who knows? I think it would be great if the students have a greater contact with the president in the future years.

I found myself wondering what legacy he is leaving behind for the college. Did he instigate any of the new additions to the college, or better communications with the college and the community?

I can't fault Mr. Manera for doing things unjustly or in bad taste for the college, but then, on the other hand, I cannot give him a pat on the back for doing great and glorious things either.

I guess I'll just have to say, "Farewell and good luck, Mr. Manera, and thanks for doing whatever you did." **Brenda Freure**

Changing seasons

Gillingham Yacht Basin in Niagara-on-the-Lake is filling up with boats now that summer vacations are over and the weather is colder.

(Photo by Morris)

BULLPIT

Niagara's booth at fair lacks info and display

By HEATHER REID

Those of you who trudged through the rain and made your way to the Niagara display booth at the Niagara Regional Exhibition without drowning might agree with me that Niagara could do better. The booth was bereft of display and lacked any personal touch.

"It rained all week and attendance was poor therefore I can't see cause for a story," a college spokesman said. Yes, it did rain but unless he is claiming psychic powers the booth was exactly as it was planned.

Each year representatives are sent to high schools to stir up interest in our college, but when there is an opportunity to have people come to us, it is treated lightly.

At the fair, we had the opportunity to interest a cross-section of people from adults returning to school as mature students to people interested in taking extension programs.

Only a few years ago there were costume displays and people to answer questions and give out the leaflets. This year only a few pictures served as display and the leaflets were plopped on a table.

We have to change the "who cares?" attitude of which the Niagara display booth is an example.

First Festival meeting

The first planning meeting for the 1978 Celebrate Canada Festival will be held Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 11.45 a.m. in the staff cafeteria. People with ideas for the festival which will be held in March, 1978, are asked to attend.

"Last year's festival saw members of the community and the college enthusiastically celebrating both the diversities of their heritage and their common love of Canada," A. S. Manera, college president, said.

Join us!

Niagara celebrates it's 10th anniversary

Let's celebrate! This year marks the 10th anniversary of Niagara College. Niagara's week-long celebration runs from Oct. 16 to Oct. 23.

The week begins and ends with an Open House— on Sunday, Oct. 16 at the School of Retraining, Welland Vale Centre, St. Catharines and on Oct. 23 at the main campus, Woodlawn Road,in Welland.

A week-long exhibit of Leonardo da Vinci replicas and models will be held in the resource centre. It is financed by IBM.

From Oct. 17 to Oct.20 there will be public tours of the college and mini tours of the extension and night courses. Everyone is invited to sit in on a night course to view classroom activities.

On Wednesday, Oct. 19 there will be a student anniversary pub and details concerning it will be posted during the next two weeks.

Friday, Oct. 21 is Alumni Day and all alumni are invited back to the college. From 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. there will be a hockey game, Alumni vs. Varsity which is free and open to all students, staff and alumni. At 8:15 p.m. there will be an Alumni vs. Varsity basketball game in the main campus gym. Everyone is invited.

The Niagara College Alumni Association is planning a breakfast on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Merritt/Lundy building is to be dedicated in the afternoon by Dr. H. C. Parrott, minister of colleges and universities. A coffee and cake reception will follow.

On Saturday night from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. the college is throwing a birthday party in the Black Walnut building. The tickets are $3 per person and will not be available at the door. They can be purchased in the registrar's office or by calling extension 303. There will be continuous live cabaret entertainment and anyone interested in performing should contact Keith Lindberg at extension 301 or 395.

To wrap up the week, Niagara is placing a Time Capsule on the main campus at the corner of Woodlawn Road and First Avenue at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Open House will be held at the college all afternoon.

It's going to be a great week so come on out and join us!

Better quality SAC posters

Students have probably observed the improved quality of notices posted by the Student Administrative Council[SAC] in the college's halls and lounges.

Credit for the skilled artistry goes to Lynn Brennan, a third-year business administration student. He is also vice-president, internal affairs, for SAC. Lynn has been drawing for many years, and for four years took art courses in addition to his regular curriculum in high school.

Club and other posters are showing a lot of care and skill this year. Jerry Kerekes of the photography club is doing its posters with precision.

Fashion arts has displayed tempting posters in the lounges advertising their weekly bake sales. These works of art are a co-operative effort of all the students in the program. Fashion arts also designed the posters for the chess club meeting on Sept. 27.

Posters from the Ski club, Society of Manufacturing Engineers, and Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers are popping up all over the halls and lobbies too.

Readers' Forum

The Niagara News welcomes letters to the editor on any subject. The letters column is the readers' forum.

Letters should be brief and to the point. The editor reserves the right to edit letters to conserve space.

All letters must be signed. Letters should be handed in to the Newsroom, S212, Simcoe Building, no later than Tuesday of the week of production.

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Roving Reporter

By NANCY LIEBAU
and EUGENE FELTON

Do you think you are physically fit? If not, does it bother you?

Mary Martin, first-year general business: No, I'm not and it does bother me. I'm trying. My husband's trying to get me running with him but that hasn't come into effect yet. And I bought a 10-speed.

Dennis Schenkel, first-year drafting: I'm physically fit enough. Do a little jogging and some push-ups now and then.

Rob Levesque, first-year mechanical design drafting: Yes, I do a lot of sports—gymnastics and stuff.

Norm Viger, first-year business: No, I'm not. It doesn't really bother me.

Randy Ralph, first-year radio and television: No, and it doesn't really bother me.

Wendy White, second-year human relations: No, and it bothers me because I'm out of shape. I can't do anything without getting tired. I don't like my weight and I know I would feel better if I were in shape.

Dan Diggins, first-year radio and television: I think I could be in better shape than I am now. I haven't lifted weights for about five years.

Mark Gusek, first-year radio and television: I think I'm physically fit. I work out at the YMCA three times a week. And I'm mentally fit.

Rachel Fogg, first-year legal assistant: I don't think I am particularly physically fit and I'd like to be a little more, I guess.

Tony Blasioli, first-year general college: I know I'm not. I found out yesterday when I was in the gym—it was killing me. And yes, it does bother me.

Joyce Rensen, first-year dictatypist: Yes. I exercise, doing push-ups, sit-ups, swimming and biking.

Enid Fletcher, second-year general business: That's a hard question to answer because I have a physical handicap. But aside from that I'm physically fit. I do sit-ups and I think walking around from building to building pretty well keeps me in shape.

NC grad wins national award in electronics

A Niagara College graduate who won first place in a cross-Canada competition for the best original contribution for a current electronic topic presented his paper at a conference in Toronto last week.

The Palin award, for community colleges right across the country, was won by George Cvirik who graduated last spring.

The conference displayed electronic devices ranging from integrated circuits worth $10,000 each to George's solid-state storage system for standard oscilloscopes which won him the award.

George, a former vice-president of the college IEEE answered questions about his system before a full house. The system he invented for oscilloscopes came first out of 18 final papers sent to T. Nawata of the Southern Alberta Insititute of Technology for judiging.

George who comes from Port Colborne attended Niagara's electronic engineering technology program and is now employed by Foster Wheeler working on electronic instrumentation.

Gestetner is not right for SAC use

The new Student Administrative Council (SAC) executive is wrestling with a gigantic problem left over from last year.

The problem is in the form of a great grey hunchbacked machine in the corner of the SAC office with the unassuming name of Gestetner 210, and a price tage of $7,000.

It has turned out to be a printing press, not a duplicator. The machine was purchased by last year's executive for SAC's printing needs. After purchase it was discovered that what is needed to operate the machine is a one-week course at Gestetner in Toronto and several months of practical experience.

"It was a misjudgment on the part of the people who purchased it," Brian Rohe, council president, said. "This is the wrong machine for us. This is professional equipment; we're students, not professional printers."

Brian has learned to operate the Gestetner at a basic level, and can occasionally use it to print posters "at the expense of a lot of my clothes." Apparently if it is not run exactly right it tends to spill ink on everything in sight.

Asked whether it would be possible to train someone to run the machine, Brian said even if someone were competent, SAC does no do enough printing to justify keeping it. It would have to be in use several hours a day in order to be practical.

The council executive with help from Al Aboud, director of *student services, has been negotiating with* Gestetner's area office trying to find a solution to the problem.

"What we are trying to do is correct a situation that has been left on us," Brian said. Possible solutions were discussed at an open meeting of SAC last Thursday.

Beverage prices up add a fat nickel

The cost is 25 cents and anyone can play. Just put a quarter in the machine, press the right button and presto out comes a cup of coffee, without change.

Pressing the wrong button could get tea, hot chocolate or soup, but with the same end result. Surprise! The price has gone up from two thin dimes to two thin dimes and one fat nickel.

Students may find that morning cup of coffee not quite as refreshing as last year, but none the-less, if they want to fill up on that warm brew, they will first have to fill that machine.

Jack Hutchinson, who can be seen with a gang of followers looking for change, agrees with the price increase.

Still cheaper

"Coffee prices went up last March and we kept them down till now," he said. "Brock put their prices up last year and here it is still cheaper than in stores."

But alas, the nickel did not stop at the coffee machine. It is going to cost more for that mouthful of chocolate—remember it costs 27 cents in a store—or that puffy doughnut that every sweet tooth knows so well.

One more stop for that bouncing nickel. This time it is the cigarette machine under attack. Eighty-five cents will buy anyone a pack of smokes that can be enjoyed to the last drag.

AV specialist program still on full day program

The audiovisual specialist program at Welland Vale, after a proposed cancellation, has been given an extention and is still in operation as a full day program.

The program, the only one of its kind in Ontario, was started in 1968, Joe Brandy, chairman of technical retraining, said. There has been a maximum of 15 students with an overall average of about 12 per year. This year the enrolment figure stands at seven.

"As in any field there is a saturation point where the market is overflowed and job placement becomes difficult," Mr. Brandy said. It's in almost the same position as nursing.

The occupational opportunities are many and varied, ranging from racetrack-finish photographer to library clerk.

The purpose of the course is to prepare the student practically and academically for entry into the audiovisual field so he may work in a productive and efficient manner relatively soon after, Mr. Brandy said.

40 week course

The course runs for 40 weeks during regular class hours. Successful candidates receive a college certificate.

There has been a lack of students waiting to take the program, he said, and lack of job placement as well. "It's like anything else, it cycles," Mr. Brandy said. "Hopefully it will come around."

Canada Manpower tries to place the students after graduation and placement is becoming difficult, but not impossible, Mr. Brandy added. Those wanting work will find it.

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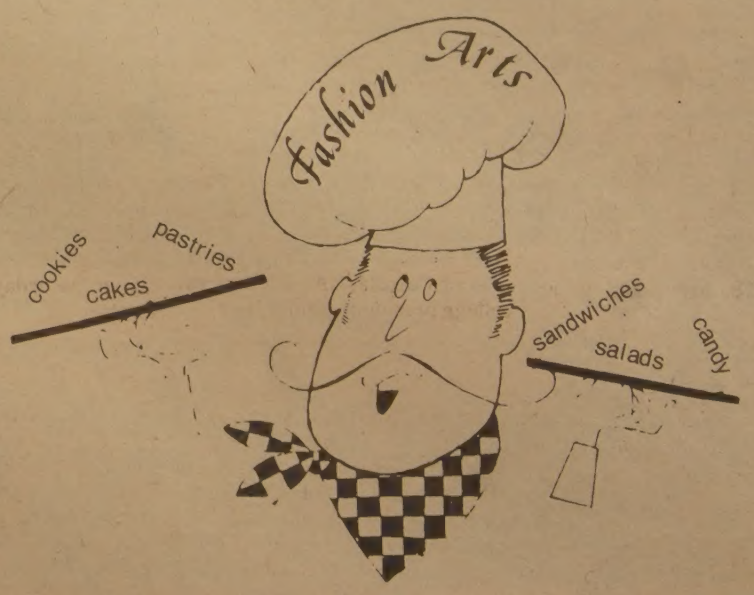

at library entrance

Bikers in Mud

Twice runner-up in the Canadian Trials Championship, Randy White of Port Colborne, left, contemplates one of the sections at the McPherson farm trials. Muddy conditions kept him out of contention. Sixteen-year-old Ron Gamm of Fonthill, above, manoeuvres Clare's Cycle Yamaha through one of the easier sections at the trials. In his first year in the expert ranks, he has raised a few eyebrows. (Photo by Harpwood)

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Service to benefit students, clients

Students who bring material to be typed by the Secretarial Services Office are "treated as clients," Irene Hanlin, secretarial services co-ordinator, said.

The office is run on a first-come first-served basis and students are advised to bring work in as soon as possible. A typed page is 25 cents and a carbon is five cents, "a price which doesn't even cover our expenses," Mrs. Hanlin said.

Since the office opened a year ago, some changes have been made as a result of teacher "brainstorming" sessions and the extra work load felt by teachers.

Spelling and punctuation errors will not be corrected in English essays because teachers said students were getting high marks unfairly and the errors should be typed uncorrected.

Ann Perenak has taken Rosemary Cawthorne's place in the office as a full time supervisor. Students who worked three days and office managers who worked four will have their shifts split so that they will now work one and two days respectively.

Office managers greet customers, take in money, decide when and how much work to take in. "The girls have to be a combination of receptionist, supervisor and curator," Miss Perenak said.

Each student is responsible for the work she has done and customers are asked to fill out a form as to whether they are satisfied with the work.

"The girls are extremely efficient, hard-working and show a good deal of initiative," Miss Perenak said.

Paulette Beaulieu, second year bilingual secretary student, said the student services office is a good practical experience which trains the student to be more responsible. Another bilingual secretary student, Michele Lee-Lung, said the new duplicating machines make the work more efficient.

New campus boxing club designed to keep you fit

Battling Fred Bassi has a plan in the works to keep you guys out there fit.

Fred, athletic assistant at Niagara, and a well-known local pugilist, is going to start a boxing club on campus for interested students. It will be a first for Niagara.

"I have already had a couple of students with previous ring experience approach me about starting some kind of boxing program," he said. "I hope to get it started by the middle of October."

Tentative meeting times for the club are going to be Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the 12 to 1 time slot.

Fred said he is going to try to keep the program flexible. If enough interest is shown by students who cannot make it in the time slot chosen, he will try to work out other meeting times.

Boxing isn't just climbing into a ring and making like Muhammad Ali and that is where getting fit comes in. According to Fred, anybody who joins the club is going to be doing a lot of running, calisthenics and skipping. Yes, skipping, try it sometime it isn't as easy as it looks.

The athletic department has all the necessary equipment bags, 16-oz. gloves, head gear and mouthpieces — all the would be Fraziers and Nortons have to bring is the desire to learn.

Fred says boxing is not for everyone, but then, if your last name is Ali or Foreman or Bobick, it could be for you.

NIAGARA COLLEGE
ATHLETIC SCHEDULES
1977-78

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Oct. 15 at Fanshawe (London)
Oct. 22 at Seneca (Willowdale)
Oct. 29 at Niagara (Welland)
Nov. 5 at Mohawk (Hamilton)
Nov. 19 at St. Clair (Windsor)
Nov. 25, 26, 27 O.C.A.R. Cambrian (Sudbury)

CURLING Co-ed

O.C.A.A. West Regional—March 5 (Hamilton)
O.C.A.A. Championships—March 17, 18, 19 (North Bay)

HOCKEY

PLAYOFFS
1st and 2nd Bye
6th vs 3rd Home of 3—Sudden Death
5th vs 4th Home of 4
Semi-finals & finals best 2 out of 3
National Championships—March 24 and 25.

BADMINTON—Co-ed

O.C.A.A. West Regional —Feb. 11 (Fanshawe—London)
O.C.A.A. Championships— Feb. 24 and 25 (Seneca—Toronto)

TENNIS—Co-ed

O.C.A.A. Championship—Oct. 14 and 15 (Ottawa(

BASKETBALL

PLAYOFFS
3rd vs 2nd Home of 2nd March 1
Winner vs 1st Home of 1st March 4 — Sudden Death

O.C.A.A. Championships—Loyalist Belleville March 10 and 11

National Championships—March 24, 25

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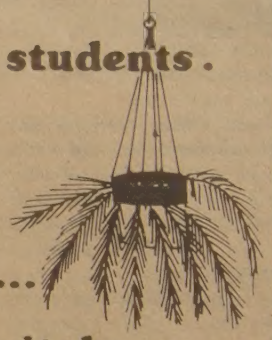

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Famous racer or future farmer? Aboard a tractor at the Welland fair, young Peter has a few years to decide. (Photo by Kelly)

Niagara's Sports Schedule

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Oct. 21	Alumni	Welland
Nov. 4	Seneca	Willowdale
Nov. 10	Fanshawe	Welland
Nov. 12	Cambrian	Welland
Nov. 17	George Brown	Welland
Nov. 18	Daemen	B uffalo
Nov. 23	Conestoga	Kitchener
Nov. 29	D'Youville	Buffalo
Dec. 1	Mohawk	Welland
Dec. 7	Humber	Rexdale
Dec. 8	Centennial	Welland
Dec. 10	St. Clair	Windsor
Jan. 11	George Brown	Toronto
Jan. 19	Conestoga	Welland
Jan. 24	Fanshawe	London
Jan. 26	Sheridan	Welland
Jan. 31	Daemen	Welland
Feb. 4	St. Clair	Welland
Feb. 6	Sheridan	Oakville
Feb. 9	Seneca	Welland
Feb. 11	Cambrian	Sudbury
Feb. 14	D'Youville	Welland
Feb. 17	Mohawk	Hamilton
Feb. 21	Centennial	Scarborough
Feb. 23	Humber	Welland

MEN'S HOCKEY

Oct. 20	Brock	St. Catharines
Oct. 21	Alumni	Welland
Oct. 22	Canadore	Welland
Oct. 28	Centennial	Mid-Scarborough
Nov. 3	Fanshawe	London
Nov. 5	Seneca	Welland
Nov. 11	Seneca	Seneca Arena
Nov. 12	Northern	Welland
Nov. 19	Geneseo	Welland
Nov. 24	Sheridan	Oakville
Nov. 26	Humber	Westwood
Dec. 3	Algonquin	Welland
Dec. 10	St. Clair	Windsor
Jan. 6	Mohawk	Hamilton
Jan. 7	Sheridan	Welland
Jan. 14	Humber	Welland
Jan. 20	Algonquin	Nepean
Jan. 21	Cornwall	Bob Turner
Jan. 28	Cornwall	Welland
Feb. 1	St. Clair	Welland
Feb. 4	Fanshawe	Welland
Feb. 9	Canadore	Memorial Gardens
Feb. 10	Northern	Kirkland Lake
Feb. 18	Centennial	Welland

LADIES BASKETBALL

Nov. 2	George Brown	Toronto
Nov. 4	Cambrian	Welland
Nov. 8	Seneca	Welland
Nov. 11	St. Clair	Windsor
Nov. 16	Sheridan	Oakville
Nov. 30	Centennial	Welland
Dec. 2	Fanshawe	Welland
Dec. 10	Algonquin	Ottawa
Jan. 12	Fanshawe	London
Jan. 18	Centennial	Scarborough
Jan. 21	Algonquin	Welland
Feb. 2	George Brown	Welland
Feb. 4	St. Clair	Welland
Feb. 11	Cambrian	Sudbury
Feb. 16	Sheridan	Welland
Feb. 21	Seneca	Willowdale

March 10, 11 O.C.A.A. Championships St. Clair Windsor
March 24, 25 National Championships

Grand Prix at Mosport opens soon

The Labatt's Grand Prix of Canada, featuring the world's best Formula One drivers, will be held at Mosport Park on Oct. 7, 8 and 9.

Some of the drivers contesting this year's events are James Hunt of England, 1976 World Champion and winner of last year's Canadian Grand Prix; Niki Lauda of Austria, 1975 World Champion and leader in this year's standings, and Canadian Gilles Villeneuve, in his first year on the Formula One circuit.

Practice is on Friday, Oct. 8; qualifying is on Saturday and the races are on Sunday. Full race coverage will be in the next edition of the Niagara News.

New scheme: Sell plants to students

Almost any plant from tomatoes to easter lilies will be sold this year at Niagara College's horticultural department, Peter Mansfield, horticulture program co-ordinator says.

This idea is in its first year at the Hort School. The plants will be available only to college staff and students. The plants will not be delivered as the Hort School has no means of transporting the plants. Persons wishing to purchase plants should see Tom Ball, curator of the plant collection at the school. Profits from the sales are going to pay for some of the operating costs of the program.

The price of the plants range from around $1 to nearly $1,000 for a Phoenix Palm. Mr. Mansfield said the plants would sell well according to the seasons, with poinsettias topping the bill at Christmas time and Easter lilies doing the same at Easter.

The Horticultural Department of Niagara College is located at the Ivan D. Buchanan Hall on 360 Niagara St. near Carlton Street in St. Catharines.

Every Canadian is a winner.

The Ferris of them all?

Rides for every age group could be found on the Niagara Regional Exhibition midway, like this Sky Diver, a spin-off of the Ferris Wheel.

Downchild blues appear next pub

Downchild, Redwood, Jaoust, Percy and the Teardrops—all these and more, will be presented to Niagara College students this month.

This Wednesday's pub will feature Downchild, formerly the Downchild Blues Band, a Toronto based group specializing in blues with a horn section. Jaoust will appear on Oct. 12 and Redwood on Oct. 19.

A special pub on Oct. 26 will feature the grease group, Percy and the Teardrops. Prizes will be awarded for grease dress.

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) has already provided a first-rate September, starting on registration day with McLean and McLean, an irreverent duo which bestowed razzberries on every pious rule of good manners in sight.

Weekly pubs in September attracted "toe to toe crowds," said Greg Bevan vice-president for external affairs. Students were treated to music from Rose, Plateau, Shooter and California.

The SAC executive will consider weekly pubs for the rest of the term if crowds continue as they have. Pubs usually become bi-weekly in November because of a drop in attendance.

Lunch-hour entertainment brought The Good Brothers, a top bluegrass group to Niagara on Sept. 20 and folksinger Lisa Garber was to have come Sept. 29. More lunch-hour concerts are in the works for October.

The annual winter formal has been definitely set for Dec. 10 at the Church Street Legion Hall, St. Catharines with the Spartans providing the music.

SAC student survey shows pubs, concerts in demand

Pubs, concerts and movies were the most popular choices in a registration day survey conducted by the Student Administrative Council (SAC) and the college athletic department.

More than 500 students responded to the survey—"a good representation," Peter Rylander, athletic director, said. SAC president Brian Rohe said he was "pleasantly surprised" with the response.

Tennis, swimming, skiing and badminton were the next most-requested recreational activities. Most asked-for intra mural sports were bowling, badminton and mixed volleyball.

Asked whether they would be interested in a half-term non-credit course in physical fitness, 276 of 560 students said yes.

Brian said SAC intends to use the results to plan events. They are now looking into excursions to football and hockey games in Buffalo and possibly a Toronto Maple Leafs hockey game. He said SAC will get together with the ski club to plan some ski trips.

Fred Bassi, assistant athletic director, said the athletic department plans to try to promote the sports in which people showed an interest according to the survey. A fitness program may be instituted next semester. Participation in intramural sports has definitely increased this year, possibly because of the survey, he added.

A surprising response was 199 requests for an outdoor skating rink. SAC has talked to college president, Anthony Manera, about the possibility of making a rink, and he is looking into the availability of land for such a project.

Other activities with fairly good response were volleyball, the winter formal and amateur nights.

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Aid for the sick available

The College Health Centre, located in room L20 of the Lundy building--not in the Mackenzie building where it has been--offers a complete list of health services including a registered nurse and practising physician.

A medical clinic with Dr. G.A. Alexander in attendance is held every Tuesday morning from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Appointments should be made in advance, and the service is for students, faculty and staff.

The nurse is available from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on regular school days to provide:

— confidential health counselling
— treatment for minor illnesses and injuries
— dispensing of medicines as authorized by the physician
—allergy injections (while physician is on campus.)
— birth-control and family planning information
— referrals to specialists, dentists and community agencies
— assistance to students with special health problems
— health and accident insurance enformation

Emergency first-aid supplies are located throughout the main campus and on satellite campuses. Wheelchairs are located near the circulation desk of the library and at the health centre. Oxygen resuscitators can be found in the health centre, in the main office and in the gymnasium first-aid room.

Should emergencies arise supplies can be obtained by calling extension 470 or the switchboard operator.

10th ANNIVERSARY

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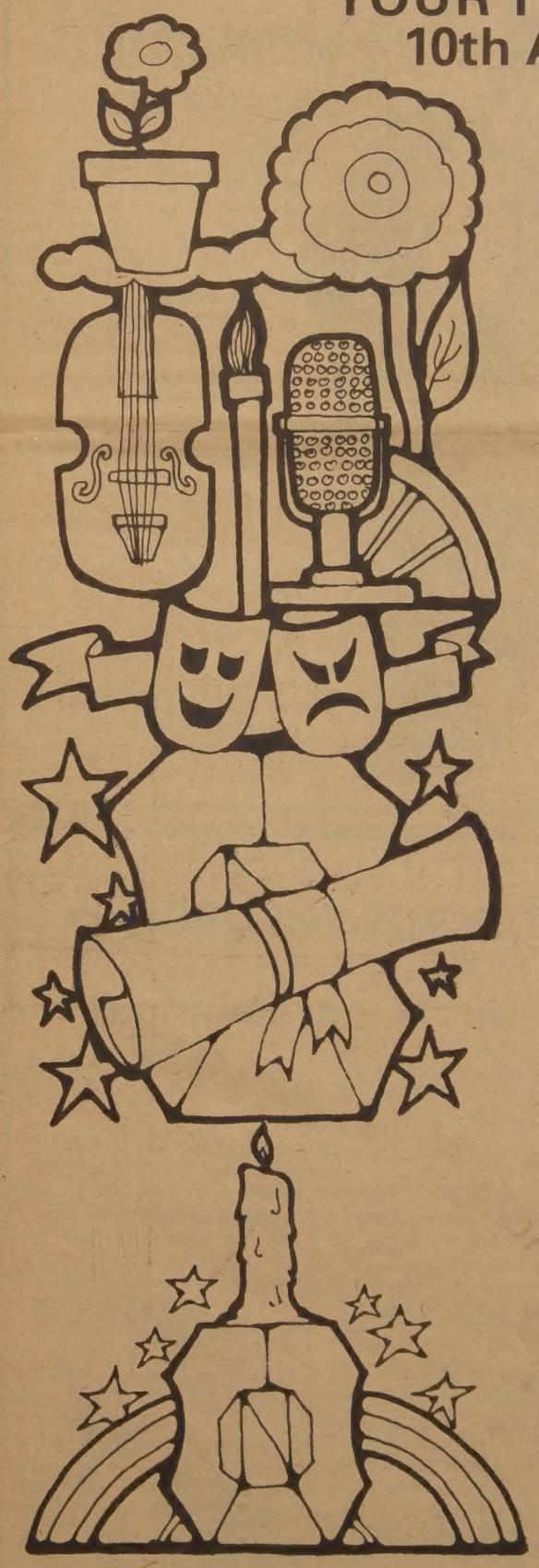

SCHOOL OF RETRAINING OPEN HOUSE 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
SUNDAY OCTOBER 16
WELLAND VALE CENTRE, WELLAND VALE ROAD, ST. CATHARINES
* See the program displays and exhibits at Niagara College's longest operating educational division.
For more information call: 684-4315 Ext. 65

MAIN CAMPUS TOURS/EXTENSION COURSE EXHIBITIONS/ DA VINCI DISPLAY
MON. - THURS. OCTOBER 17 - 20
HENNEPIN HALL, MAIN CAMPUS, WOODLAWN ROAD, WELLAND
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
* Public tours of the Main Campus will be provided each evening Monday through Thursday during Anniversary Week starting at 7:00 p.m.
* Introductory courses and exhibitions of selected part-time evening Extension courses will be on display for the visiting public during this week.
* An exhibit of working model inventions by Leonardo da Vinci on loan from IBM of Canada Ltd. will be on display during the week on the Main Campus Welland.
For more information call: 735-2211 Ext. 303.

NIAGARA COLLEGE ALUMNI DAY
FRIDAY OCTOBER 21
* ALUMNI VS. VARSITY HOCKEY GAME 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Welland Arena, King Street, Welland (Free Admission)
* ALUMNI VS. VARSITY BASKETBALL GAME 8:15 - 9:15 p.m. Gymnasium, Main Campus, Welland (Free Admission)
For more information call: 735-2211 Ext. 303.

MERRITT/LUNDY BUILDING DEDICATION
SATURDAY OCTOBER 22
Merritt/Lundy Courtyard 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Dr. H. C. Parrott, Minister of Colleges and Universities will dedicate the new complex. Tour to follow.
For more information call: 735-2211 Ext. 303.

TIME CAPSULE PLACEMENT
SUNDAY OCTOBER 23
* A time capsule will be placed at the corner of First Avenue and Woodlawn Road at 1:00 p.m. to officially open the College's 10th Anniversary Year Open House. The public is invited.

MAIN CAMPUS OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY OCTOBER 23
* Niagara College, as it enters its second decade, welcomes the public to its Main Campus Open House from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., Woodlawn Road, Welland.
For more information call: 735-2211 Ext. 303.

The Good Brothers, Canadian recording artists, perform their own brand of bluegrass and light rock in the cafeteria for Niagara students. (Photo by Francis Skrzeszewski)

Bluegrass with a difference

Good Brothers pack college cafeteria

By FRANCIS SKRZESZEWSKI

It was difficult to concentrate on eating lunch in the cafeteria what with foxes on the run and rabbits eating up prize plants much to the chagrin of their owner.

Such were the themes of some of the tunes played by The Good Brothers, a Toronto band that played a two-hour concert during the double lunch last Tuesday at Niagara College. The Good Brothers—Bruce, Brian and Larry and company—Canadian recording artists with one album under their belt and another on its way, performed a variety of material ranging from bluegrass to rock drawing enthusiastic applause from the students crowded into the cafeteria.

They started right into an old standard bluegrass tune about mother objecting to the music in question being played in her house and the boys totally ignoring her complaints as they each take a break on their respective instruments. Certain bluegrass afficionados might object to the Good Brothers' style of bluegrass using drums, electric bass and, Bill Munroe forbid, and electrified fiddle.

However if anyone was upset it was difficult to hear their gripes over the cheers and clapping of the rest of the audience.

The band showed its versatility by playing several country-rock tunes off their first album and renditions of old rhythm and blues favorites such as Kansas City. Musically the band displayed the smoothness that professional status requires-excluding some heavy rock bands.

People in the audience who were familiar with bluegrass music began shouting out popular requests and the band complied. These included the movie theme from Bonnie and Clyde called The Foggy Mountain Breakdown and the well-known Dueling Banjos from Deliverance.

As inevitably happens when a fiddle appears on stage, Niagara students called for the show-stopping tune called The Orange Blossom Special, a song that builds up in intensity like the engine of the train it tells about and culminates in a frenzied fiddle run that gets the most passive person tapping his feet and clapping out the time.

The Good Brothers seemed to please everybody who attended and similar events in the future will be appreciated.

Discount prices on discs , tapes

Move over Sam the record man — here comes Brian Rohe with a deal that's hard to match! Brian, Student Administrative Council (SAC) president, is in the process of organizing the sale of records, cassette tapes and eight-track tapes to Niagara College students "at a very discounted rate," Brian said.

The scheme will be on a trial basis "to see how it will be accepted." To start, sales will be by order only with a catalogue available in the SAC office. There is a possibility of carrying stock in the future, depending on success and space, Brian said, "but it will probably be orders only."

The plan is being worked out with a distributing company which deals with colleges and high schools only.

Emergency message service

Debbie Coplen, Student Administrative Council (SAC) secretary, has set up an emergency message service for students.

Anyone calling the college switchboard with an urgent message will be referred to Debbie at extension 323 and the message will be relayed to the student. Debbie stresses "this service is for emergency messages only." It may eventually be expanded to include other messages, with a possibility of a message board in or near the SAC office. But for now Debbie says she can relay only urgent calls.

Enrolment is rising at Niagara

Enrolment at the college for 1977-78 is generally growing in all areas except nursing, John Parrett, assistant registrar, said.

Total enrolment, for full time students excluding nursing and hotel programs, is 2,049. Last year's figure was 2,011.

When nursing is included, this year's enrolment is 2,306; last year's was 2,328. There are 69 fewer nursing students this year.

There are 115 students expected to register for the hotel program in early October, producing a total projected enrolment of about 2,400, which is essentially unchanged from last year. "Enrolment in the various courses is definitely levelling out and this is consistent with our expectations," said Mr. Parrett.

For the part-time students, 3,092 extension registrations have been processed. The figure for last year was 2,588.

"One area that has really grown over the last two or three years is business," Mr. Parret said. "There are very high placement records in business which may account for the high enrolment."

Enrolment at Welland Vale is also keeping with the trend of increasing student enrolment with 470 registrations so far, as compared to last year's figure of 442. "This could be due to the fact there are now more courses offered," Joe Brandy, chairman of the technical retraining division, said. Two such courses are the Basic Job Readiness Training program and the Welder's Refresher course.

The problem that young adults face when trying to find a job in today's market, could possibly explain why education goes up when the economy is down, Mr. Parrett said.

COLLEGE CLOSED

All campuses of Niagara College will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Monday, Oct. 10, 1977.

Horticulture program attracts applicants

A get-away from the mechanized world, need for more recreation areas and people with more recreational time to work on their gardens are a few of the reasons for an increase in enrolment this year in the horticultural program, Peter Mansfield, program co-ordinator, said.

Of the 150 people who applied for the program this year, the school could only take 50 students in first year. There are 24 in second year.

"All of last year's graduates obtained the jobs they wanted," Mr. Mansfield said. "In fact we had more jobs than applicants to fill them."

Mr. Mansfield said most people do not have the right idea of what the hort program is all about. "People usually think it only covers such areas as floral designers and florists, not to say these are not good occupations, but there are many other areas, such as pesticides, plant nursery, bedding, potted plants, horticultural equipment, the wine and beer industry, turf, and parks and recreation just to name a few,"Mr Mansfield said.

Students have field trips to area farms and out-of-town journeys. Mr. Mansfield said most teaching is done in the field, rain or shine.

The hort program is situated on 7½ acres of land with 8,000 square feet of greenhousing. The main building is the Ivan D. Buchanan Hall, named after the second chairman of Niagara College's board of governors.The house was built in the 1880s by his family. Mountain House was named after Dr. William Mountain, first chairman of the horticulture advisory committee.

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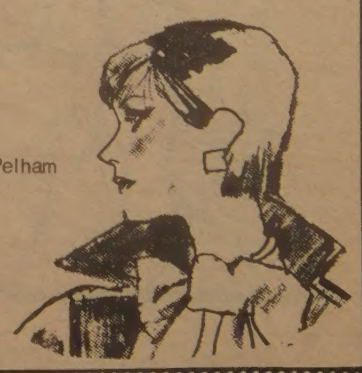

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In the Driver's Seat: while tourists tippled during Grape Festival wine tours, this toddler held the fort.

Vineyard tours raise spirits at festival

By BRENDA FREURE

The wine was plentiful and the buses were full. Niagara's 26th Grape and Wine Festival was a smashing success despite the rain; contributing to the success were tours of the vineyards and wineries for which Niagara tourism students were guides.

For a mere $3 for adults and $1 for children you could visit a winery or vineyard for nearly two hours and drink wine to your heart's content.

The tourism students worked from four to six hours a day from Sept. 16 to Sept 25. Lillian MacPherson, project co-ordinator, worked about 10 hours a day. Lillian was the general overseer of the project with such duties as confirming the tours, co-ordinating the guides with the buses, making sure the buses were there at departure time and ensuring the right number of people were on the buses.

Neil McGregor, tourism program co-ordinator, helped Lillian in scheduling the tours and drew up the work schedules for the wine tents. Mr. McGregor was approached by the festival committee asking him to provide the manpower for the festival officials.

Back to my tour of the vineyard. I got on the bus at Montebello Park expecting to spend a boring ride to Staff farms located off Highway 8. But to my utter amazement the effervescent personality of the tour guide, Tammy Milligan, first-year tourism student, brightened my spirits and the spirits of the rest of the people taking part in the tour. The wet weather hadn't affected her mood.

The bus passengers included people from England, Scotland, Quebec, Philadelphia and Buffalo on the bus.

I learned such enlightening facts as: there are 24,000 acres of grapes and 45 different varieties in the Niagara peninsula alone. The Staff farms is one of the largest singly owned grape farms in the peninsula; it is about 1,000 acres with 700 of them planted with grapes.

Some of the Staff farm grapes have been producing for the past 80 years. A grape harvester at a cost of $50,000 can do the same work in one day that 80 people can do.

The hospitality tent near the barn provided wine, liqueurs, sherry and champagne produced in the peninsula.

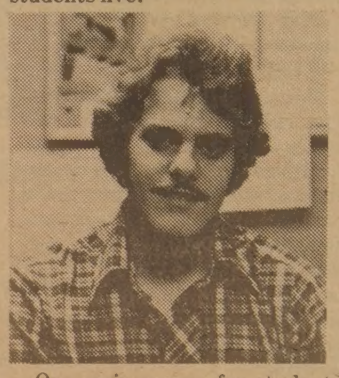
Students from around the world bring culture to Niagara College

BY IRENE BRENNER

And you thought Niagara College wasn't cultured! That's hardly the truth. There is so much culture walking around this school it's ridiculous. Unfortunately, students don't realize it, or, at least don't take advantage of it.

There are 33 students who came from other provinces last year, John L. Parrett, assistant registrar, said. This year there are about 40 foreign students. The statistics are not ready for this year, but there were 2,057 students who came last year from the area between Fort Erie and Metro Toronto. Three hundred and fifty-nine students were from other areas..

Students travel from as far away as Kenya and as close to the college as acroos the street. Meeting and talking to these people will help others understand and learn how their fellow students live.



One main reason for students coming to Niagara College was for their programs. **Ian Murray**, from Stratford, Ont. is in second-year radio and T.V., and he chose Niagara because it offers both the media in one course.

Canada is a "quiet country" and that's why Rajendra Tiwari, Guyana, South America, chose Niagara College to take a program in chemical engineering technology.

Mary Jane Breadner, second-year fashion arts student from Meaford, Ont., misses home mainly because she's from the country and doesn't like city living. She said it wasn't really hard to adjust to the change. The change was harder for Michelle because of the winters. "You have to wear so many clothes and I miss the green," she said.

The people are what **Lois Visneskie**, Round Lake Centre, Ont., likes best about the college. In her second year of medical health records, she enjoys being away from home.

Second-year fashion arts student, **Darlene Nelson** of Albert County, N.B. finds the area has a "different type of life. Everything is close," like Toronto and Hamilton. She doesn't miss her home near Moncton because her husband is here and her family is scattered around Canada.

The students all have something different to tell of their homes. Asked, what is your hometown known for?, Ian said the Stratford Shakespearean Festival; Rajendra told of the Mashmrami celebrations on Feb. 23 commemorating Guyana becoming a republic. "Hub City" is what Darlene brags about. The CN hub of the Maritimes is where all the offices of the CN are. Meaford has an apple festival and is a ski resort in the winter, Mary Jane said. Lois said Round Lake is a tourist attraction and Michelle's country produces oil, minerals, and citrus fruits.

By meeting other students from outside the peninsula students will suddenly realize there is more to life than just grapes and wine!

Michele Lee-Lung, Trinidad, West Indies, is glad she came here because it is "refreshing and different and the people are nice." The second-year bilingual secretary found that Niagara was one of the few colleges which offers her program.

Lundy-Merritt

The $3,206,000 construction of the Lundy-Merritt building should be completed in one month, Jack Spittle, manager for property and plant, said.

Asked when the construction should have been done, Mr. Spittle answered, "Yesterday."

"I am not getting the results I would like to get," Mr. Spittle said. But he said he understands the construction company's hands are tied when it has to depend on others.

The building was to have been completed by June 1 this year, "but there has been an elongation of construction time due to a problem with deliveries of materials and sub-contracting," Mr. Spittle said.

The Cooper Construction Company which is paid in monthly instalments has already received $3,146,000 with the balance of $60,000 to be paid on completion, he said.

$884,174 for repairs

Niagara College is a waiting final approval from the ministry of colleges and universities before moving ahead on some projects funded by $884,174 the college was allocated for capital spending for 1977-78.

Gary LaRose, college treasurer, said the funds are divided between capital projects, building repair projects and job creation projects.

A total of $700,000 is slated for capital works projects such as completion of the business and technology buildings. Another $150,000 will be spent for renovations of areas that have been relocated, such as the registrar's office. Site work around the campus, including some landscaping and completion of work of the road in front of the new Lundy building will be financed from the remaining $34,174.

The site work will be tendered and contracted out, Mr. LaRose said, and is expected to provide jobs for persons in the community.

The college's capital spending funds are allocated from a total $44.6 million divided among Ontario's 15 universities and 22 colleges by Ontario's ministry of universities and colleges. The allocation was announced in June by Harry C. Parrott, colleges and universities minister.

"The money is approved for this year," Mr. LaRose said, "but we don't actually receive the money until it is due."

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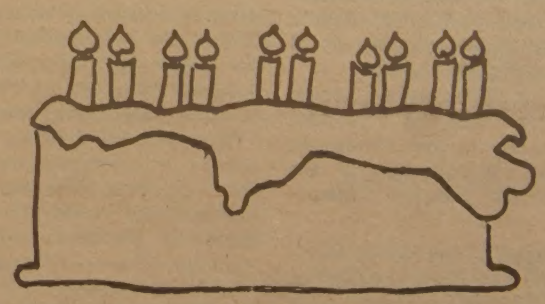

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Legal assistant program welcomes Pat Drozdoski

PAT DROZDOSKI
New Program Co-ordinator

The legal assistant program now has a full-time co-ordinator, Mrs. Pat Drozdoski — a former practising lawyer from Toronto teaching this year for the first time.

Besides her bachelor of arts and bachelor of laws degrees, Mrs. Drozdoski has seven years of practice behind her. She is also a member of The Law Society of Upper Canada.

Revisions and improvements in the program were done before she came but she said a "fabulous job" was done in foreseeing the program's needs and meeting them.

The legal assistant program has been changed to a co-operative education program. The fourth term has been moved to the four summer months between the second and third term. This allows the students the chance to work in a law office or in some related field.

Mrs. Drozdoski said she really likes the students and finds them to be "very keen" and enthusiastic." She said she enjoys teaching and finds the "days go by really fast."

The only way Mrs. Drozdoski said she would return to practice would be to update herself. She hopes this would be done some way through the school-like free counselling services.

Mrs. Drozdoski would like to see the program expanded even more. This year Niagara College along with other community colleges has a waiting list for the legal assistant program.

There are 34 students in the two years of the program and eight or nine on the waiting list.

The reason behind the large enrolment, Mrs. Drozdoski said, is that lawyers are trying to economize by replacing lawyers with legal assistants.

"In the past five years the legal assistant has been increasing in demand. To date the barristers and solicitors of the Niagara Region have not made full use of the legal assistant. However in large centres lawyers have made a great deal of use of the legal assistant and the demand for such an assistant has been increasing," Mrs. Drozdoski said.

RTV students make professional films

By LIZ MATHAIS

Fifteen Niagara College radio and television (RTV) students spent the summer making films in Toronto, Welland and Fort Erie.

The films were financed by a $24,000 Young Canada Work Program grant, the first time a government grant has been given for the making of films, Alan Cullimore, RTV instructor, said

The films were financed by a $24,000 Young Canada Work Program grant, the first time a grant has been given to Niagara for the making of films by the Job Creation board, Alan Cullimore, RTV instructor, said.

Asked how he got the grant, he answered, "I gave them a good sales pitch."

The summer filming was totally student - made. They had no outside help with script, camera, sound or editing.

Students kept their own books; "they did not know the business side and it helped teach them to be economical and not waste film."

WILL DO OTHERS

Mr. Cullimore said other projects scheduled for this year are a film on the Grape and Wine Festival, films for Ontario educational television and a contract with the International Nickel Company for next summer.

"The filming was a great success," Mr. Cullimore said. "It was an experiment that could have blown up in our faces."

Four students worked one month in Fort Erie filming Crystal Beach, Old Fort, museums, camping and nature areas.

The films will be used by travel bureaus, groups and organizations to promote area tourists to visit the city.

They will be distributed to many television stations in New York State and to cable stations in the peninsula, Mr. Cullimore said.

PROBLEMS IN WELLAND

Eleven students filmed downtown Welland and the old canal. They interviewed area residents for their reactions to the problems caused by abandoning the old canal.

"The final straw was the canal dividing the city, and nothing is being done about it," Mr. Cullimore said.

He said he hopes these films will bring people's attention to the problems facing the city.

The students filmed the CN Tower as a recruitment film to encourage more women as well as men to enter technology.

The film shows the technology necessary to construct the tower and how it relates to Niagara's school of technology.

"High schools are trying to discourage women from getting into fields such as technology," Mr. Cullimore said.

The films are being edited and will be ready for viewing by the end of October.

Although a profit cannot be made from the production of the films, prints will be sild and "any revenue will be used by the students within the college."

There is a trend in community colleges to get involved in the commercial side of things. "Colleges are losing their 'ivory tower' approach, because colleges are poor and they get involved in projects to generate revenue," he said. "We cannot compete with private industry, although we can work more cheaply."

High placement is a good sign at NC

Just over 80 per cent of the 466 Niagara College graduates last spring who were seeking employment have found jobs so far. These figures do not include nursing students who write exams in the fall.

Technology has the highest placement with 89 per cent of 82 students placed; health sciences has 84.6 per cent of 52; business, 79.8 per cent of 149; and applied arts 76 per cent of 183.

"By and large enrolment is shifting toward programs where jobs are more plentiful," Anthony Marrera, president of Niagara College, told the Board of Governors Sept. 22.

In some courses all students are placed before they graduate with jobs left over, but the make-up of a class can affect placement if students are not aggressive or keen to move. Near perfect placement for nurses was achieved last year although they had to leave the country.

Grades, mobility, ambition and personality are all things employers look for, Ken Anderson, placement office, says.

Placement is poor in the early childhood education program as a result of a "real belt-tightening" in public services. Toronto used to take 15 graduates per year but has had to cut down on its spending.

Employers may not hire girls for certain jobs but there was no problem in placing the one girl who was in construction or the girls in chemical engineering, Mr. Anderson said.

There is a lot of repeat business from employers who see the value of practical training offered by colleges.

"Each course has to survive on its own merits," Mr. Anderson said. The number of dollars it takes to produce a graduate, the number of graduates, and the placement of graduates are taken into consideration.

Youth Theatre: new program

Valerie Grabove, former teacher at Niagara College, is offering a drama opportunity with a difference in the Niagara region this year.

Looking at the peninsula, building a show, and improvisation are just a few topics being offered in the youth theatre program.

The program will be held at Niagara College Theatre School, 54 Empire Street, Welland. The cost is $25 and the deadline for registration is Oct. 15. For more information call 892-5265.

Don't miss book sale!

The topics range from sports to Canadian prose. The prices range from 10 cents to $10. What is it? It is Niagara College's annual book sale.

The college performs a service to Coutts by selling the books and also aids the library technician course. Eighty per cent of the profits are returned to Coutts while the library program retains 20 per cent.

It is sponsored by Coutts Library Services. Coutts sends the college their surplus books and Niagara sells them at no cost to the college. The books, all new, and sell at reasonable prices.

Three new courses offered at Welland Vale Centre

Three courses are in the making at the Welland Vale Retraining Centre for 1978.

"We're looking into a cluster of programs for the construction trade," Joe Brandy, chairman of technical retraining division, said. There has been a request for these types of programs and their feasibility is just being researched. The courses will consist of bricklayer helper, cement finisher, concrete former, framer and pipe layer. The programs are to be researched this winter and they will possibly be offered in September 1978.

The other two programs expected are Weaver (cloth) and loom fixer (textile) which received approval from the ministry earlier this month, Mr. Brandy said. "They are expected to get under way in the latter part of January."

More space needed

Niagara College daycare centre too crowded

Tadpoles and toddlers are some of the many people who inhabit the daycare centre in the Brant Annex of Niagara College

There are 320 people who use the early childhood education daycare centre, Mrs. Margaret Hamilton, co-ordinator of the program at Niagara College, said.

One hundred and eleven children, aged from three months to five years, 110 students, eight staff, two faculty and one from the Ontario Careers Assistance Program (OCAP), are in the small area.

"We're really crowded," Mrs. Hamilton said. Office space is needed badly. Eleven people share three small offices and one office has a crib in it.

The early childhood education program is a two-year program. There are 250 applications for the course and only 62 can be accepted. They are "the cream of the crop," Mrs. Hamilton said.

There are 48 students in the second year program and 62 in the first year program. Four hundred and twenty hours are spent in practical experience with the children by the students over the two years.

NUTRITIONAL MEALS

The students spend half a day with the children and half a day in lectures. They make up nutritional menus for the children and help prepare the meals and serve them, Mrs. Hamilton said. An observation booth is provided for the students to study the children.

MARGARET HAMILTON

The children are divided up in small groups so they can be watched easily. Some children are outside and the others inside but when it rains everyone is crowded inside, Mrs. Hamilton said. One playroom is converted into a dining room and one playroom has cots stacked up for the childen to nap.

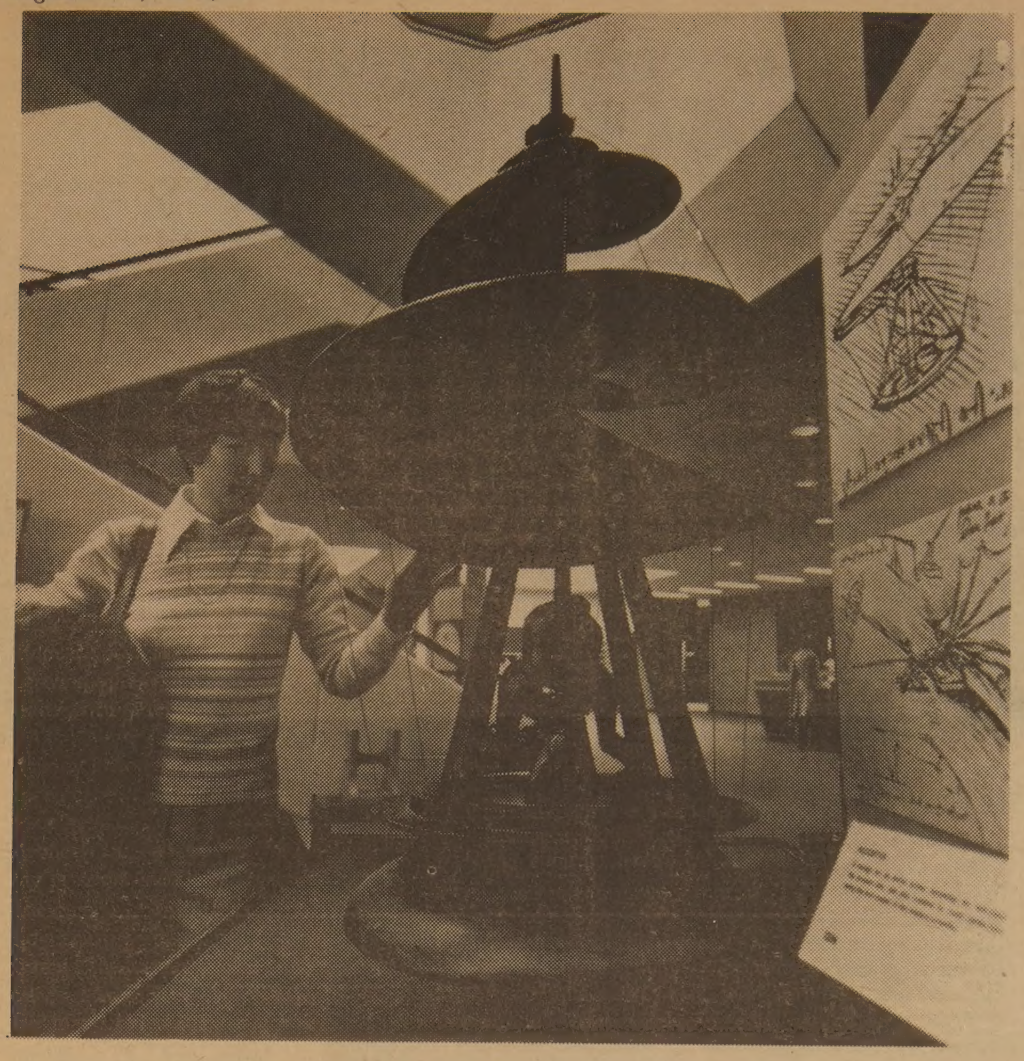
The children need large "muscle rooms" where they can have activities to be able to run and climb as they please. The tadpoles, who got their name because "they are just getting legs," are aged from 15 months to two years and should be separated from the toddlers who are between two years and three years. The older children are separated in one section by themselves.

The day care centre is a community service for children from the peninsula. The children can stay from 8 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. or when the mother picks the child up. Mrs. Hamilton said she would like to be able to meet the demands of casual care for students at the college with children. The centre is the only place where children under two years old are cared for. There is a large waiting list for full day children.

The business section of the Brant Annex is moving to the Lundy building so Mrs. Hamilton said she hopes the Brant Annex will be for the early childhood education centre alone.

FINAL DAY

Monday, Nov. 7, 1977, is the final day to drop courses or withdraw without academic penalty.



for display at anniversary

During Niagara's 10th anniversary celebrations, a week-long exhibit of Leonardo da Vinci replicas and models will be displayed in the library. Here, an interested student views one of the many exhibits.

Boy—girl games will come to end

By WENDY CROOKER

Introduction to non-traditional occupations, a new program this year at Welland Vale, is finally giving women the chance they have long been waiting for.

The purpose of the eight-week course is to prepare individuals who can select and gain entry into occupations generally regarded as restricted to members of the opposite sex.

"First and foremost, the program is designed for women returning to the labor force after five to 20 years of being a housewife," Andy Newbery, chairman of the academic division,said.

These women whe have been previously engrossed with being wives and mothers are, for one reason or another, wanting to get a job, and are finding it difficult because their positions as nurses, secretaries, teachers and waitresses are now overloaded with qualified applicants, he said.

For every secretarial position available there are 400 possible applicants; for every pipe fitter's there are 10 to 12.

"Which is more logical?" asked Mr. Newbery. "There is no reason why women can't handle these jobs."

Such jobs usually bring in more money for supporting a family and help the women to adjust to today's standards of living.

The first four weeks of the program are devoted to conscious building of one's skills and abilities, Mr. Newbery said. The women learn to assess their own needs, goals and values and determine whether or not this

If they feel it is, then the women are advised on what to expect in their particular positions. Boy-girl games in their place of employment, the men's reaction to a female in "their" division, family and social reactions and her reaction to all of these possible problems must be taken into account and discussed.

The last four weeks the women are on job placement with the co-operation of the employer,Mr. Newbery said. It gives the employer a chance to view her as a member of the work force and gives her a chance to prove what she can do."

The course was developed in 1974 for International Women's Year in Thunder Bay and has been a success through all the colleges where it has been offered.

"It would not be considered for this area if it was not successful," Mr. Newbery said. Placement is high.

The course will be offered in Niagara Falls from Oct. 11 to Dec. 2 and in Welland beginning Jan. 9 until March 3.

"More girls should consider these areas as there is a better chance here for employment," Mr. Newbery said.

Program promotes 3Rs for students

The Basic Job Readiness Training program now offered through Welland Vale has been very successful in the Niagara region, Andy Newbery,chairman of the academic retraining division, said.

BJRT is a unique program designed to provide the disadvantaged, and yet employable, members of the community, with both academic and life skills so they can function more independently and successfully in day-to-day living.

It is sponsored by Canada Manpower and admininstered by Niagara College through the School of Retraining. The third partner in this program is the group of social service agencies serving the communities in which BJRT students are paid a training allowance by Canada Manpower; the amount of the allowance varies according to the personal circumstances of the student.

The program endeavors to sharpen the students' academic skills in English and mathematics to a grade 10 level so they will have more employment opportunities available to them, Mr. Newbery said. Academic upgrading is an essential component in the life skills program allowing students to function more independently in today's increasingly complex society.

"One of the most important, if not the most important, part of the program is the life skills training," Mr. Newbery said. Through human growth techniques and assertiveness training it helps the student to stand up for his own rights without causing hostility.

"More than 30 per cent of jobs are lost, because the employee cannot get along with his co-workers , not the employer," Mr. Newbery said.

Establishing trust levels isone of the most important tasks of the program, he said. Without trust there would be no comprehension of life skills. "The two work hand in hand."

"We aren't here to recreate a person, but to assist him or her in starting on their own," Mr. Newbery said.

The student is then taken into a job situation for two or three weeks where he can practise the skills in real life form, Mr.

The course runs from 16 weeks to a year. There is no specific time period. The student enters at his own level and continues until ready to obtain employment or further retraining. Newbery said. The area, if any, where he or she experiences problems should then be discussed and suggestions made to remedy the situation. In doing this the students realize their own worth and competence.

Each class has 10 students and when one leaves another comes in. "It's a continuous cycle," Mr. Newbery said.

There are already two BJRT courses under way in the region. One began June 6 in Crystal Beach; another started June 20 in Port Colborne and the third class starts today in Niagara Falls.

Retraining people having problems

The term "retraining"is not a good one, president of the Student Senate for retraining students says, because "it gives the impression we are looked down on."

"We are all students—we are all here to learn," said Leo Desjardins in a recent interview.

Leo and his classmates—about 20 electronics students in all—were moved to the Welland campus from Welland Vale in September. "As mature students we should be given a few more rights—more than regular students," he said.

The electronics retraining class shares laboratory facilities with regular students in the Lundy building. A problem with a study room, which had been given to the retraining class as its own and then appropriated twice in one day for a regular class, was solved through talks with electronics instructors. Leo said his classmates need a room of their own for study and classes.

"We are on a 48-week course," he said, "and if we do not make it in the 48 weeks there is no second chance."

This one-chance position adds more pressure to an already demanding situation for these students, he said. Most are trying to support a family or just keep ahead of the financial strain.

Asked whether sharing the lab is presenting a problem, Leo answered, "I don't feel we're hampered right now—but something may develop." He said they will deal with whatever comes along in the best way they can.

Other elected officials in the Student Senate are Pat Lutwick vice-president and secretary,and Rosemarie Upfold, treasurer.

Housing surplus students choosy

Housing for Niagara College students this year has been very successful,Pat Faragalli, housing officer, said.

"This year there are more accommodations available than have been needed, so far," Pat said.

Most students prefer to live in a private apartment as their first choice. Since the apartments, in most cases, have to be furnished there aren't many available. Those private apartments listed are usually taken first, Pat said.

The second most popular are bedsitting rooms with a kitchenette and private entrance and bath.

"We don't have enough apartments or bed-sitting rooms for everybody," Pat said. Unfortunatly what there is most of, there is least demand for. Rooms or rooms with meals are usually the last choice for students looking for accommodation. Here they live in with a family and get their meals also. There is nothing at all wrong with the set-up, but the students from out of town are getting away from their parents and don't really want to live with someone else's," Pat said.

A student accommodation list is compiled and kept up to date on a day to day basis listing possible living quarters, address and cost of each.

Through the summer, advertising is done requesting people intrested in housing students to call the college and put their names on the list. "There are still people calling in to offer residence to students," Pat said.

The housing office operating from the main campus is also responsible for students in Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Port Colborne and Fonthill.

There are about 70 possible places of residence on the list and these would house at least twice as many students, Pat said. "We have done well this year because we still have a lot not taken."

When a student comes in looking for accommodation I give them a list and sort of recommend what they can expect, Pat said. The area they will be living in, if it is in walking distance or a non-transferable bus route are all factors that must be considered.

Any student having problems finding appropriate accommodatons can receive help from Pat Farragalli, housing officer, located in Hennepin Hall, room H24.

INVITE NC THEATRE

An offer to Niagara College theatre students has been made by Waterloo University to perform five days during the Christmas break for a public audience.

John Rapsey, program coordinator, said, "There is a possibility we'll be touring the Christmas production, The King of the Golden River."

Students seek Inca culture in rugged Andes

The stonework of Sacsahuaman, Peru, was fitted together without the use of masonry work. The Inca builders were so exact that not even a knife can be slipped between the stones.

Remote Machu Picchu, ancient centre of the Inca Empire, lies shrouded in mystery 7,000 feet up in the Andes Mountains.

By SYLVIA BAAGO

A 3,000-mile trek through the rugged grandeur of the Andes Mountains is a sure-fire method to transform greenhorn tourists into well-seasoned travellers, as four Niagara College students discovered this summer during a trip to South America.

Besides graduating to the ranks of bona fide globe-trotters, the students, who were accompanied by college instructor Dr. A. J. Goss, his wife, Helga, and their two children, Petra, 10, and Jason, 8, had the added benefit of earning extra college credits by studying archeological sites of the Inca empire.

ELECTIVES

The trip was the brainchild of Dr. Goss and grew out of his Aztecs and Indians elective. As the trip was the first time most of the students had done any extensive travelling, Dr. Goss said the sudden immersion into South American culture had the same effect as "plunging off the deep end."

Three of the students, Pat Canfield, Casey Filipek and Mark Turi, met last month at the Goss' Welland home to relive the trip through slides and photographs. The fourth student,Loretta Michaels could not join them; she is studying nursing at Guelph.

Durfing the month-long trek, the group travelled through Colombia, Ecuador, Bolivia and Peru. Archeological sites visited included Machu Picchu, the ruins of the ancient Inca city 7,000 feet up in the Peruvian Andes, Chan Chan, a reconstructed complex of nine cities each in its own compound, situated on the coastal desert of northern Peru, and Plizac, where terracing first built by the Incas is still being farmed.

EMERALDS

The students cut the trip short because of financial considerations—not because living expenses were higher than anti-ci-pated, Dr. Goss said, but because they were "spending all their money on emeralds and things."

In fact, some aspects of the trip were less expensive than expected. The students economized by sharing hotel rooms and managed on about $1.50 per night. This type of accommodation included the luxury of cold water showers down the hall which were shared by other travellers. Dr. and Mrs. Goss, who had the children to consider, siaid they were able to rent a satisfactory hotel room with hot and cold showers for $6 a night in most places.

Food was a bargain and they avoided Montezuma's Revenge by not drinking any water or eating anything raw. Mrs. Goss said they tried to eat at places other tourists told them about, or at places recommended by missionaries.

"The food was fantastic," she said. "It was not spicy and the beef, especially, was very good. We ate rice and chips at every meal and although we never drank the water, we drank coffee, ea, pop and beer. We ate pasteurized ice cream, but only one particular brand recommended by missionaries."

Steak dinners could be bought for about $1 in some places. Mrs. Goss said they tried to watch their meat being cooked, since a common sight in the market squares was flies crawling over uncovered meat.

The only time anyone got sick was from drinking a batch of bad wine, Dr.Goss said.

DISEASE

There were other health hazards. Jason suffered from altitude sickness once, and the group met some travellers who were emaciated from dysentery. Head lice could have been a problem and Mrs. Goss said she made sure Petra kept her hair tied back. They met some people from Brazil who had to have their heads shaved because of head-lice. "It's a wonder we're all healthy," Mrs. Goss said.

By September, none of the travellers looked any the worse for wear, but Mark said, "You should have seen us a month ago. We look good now."

As well as disease, the travellers had to cope with climate changes , robberies and hazardous bus trips. The troup took the precaution of putting their valuables in money belts, but they said they heard of instances where robbers ripped money belts right off. They said the worst place for robberies was in Bogota, Colombia, where they met an American woman who said she had been robbed on three occasions.

Mrs. Goss was the group's only robbery victim. She said she took the precaution of having Petra sit on her purse in a crowded train station but even so, the purse was snatched. The incident caused some delays and confusion while the Goss family negotiated for airline ticket re-placements.

Travelling in exotic countries has its ups and downs. At one point in La Paz, the students said they had to change hotel rooms because the stacc ato of machine gun fire kept them awake. The political unrest was caused by the government raising the price of gasoline from seven cents to 70 cents per gallon, Mrs. Goss said.

60 STUDENTS

"We were advised not to go to the university," Mrs. Goss said, "since 60 students were killed the day we got there. The students were shooting back at the police."

The political unrest had its compensations. "Tourists were afraid to come because of the shooting," Mrs. Goss said, "so the vendors were falling all over us giving us a good deal."

On bus trips, one person was designated a luggage watcher, to ensure the luggage reached its destination. Bus trips were crammed and uncomfortable, as well as hair-raising. On one trip over rough mountain roads with hair-pin turns, the driver kept falling asleep.

"He would doze off going around the corner and everyone would yell to wake him up," Dr. Goss said. "Finally the passengers made him stop to drink some coffee."

The pounding and joggling on bus trips was rough enough to break a pair of Mrs. Goss' glasses. At one point Mark gave up on buses and took a plane.

The poverty was astounding. In Colombia, the travellers saw people whose only claim to a home was some clothing hanging from bushes. In a market square in Quito, they snapped a picture of a little girl washing a pot in a puddle.

BARGAINS GALORE

The trip was a field day for bargain hunters. Alpaca ponchos, llama and alpaca carpets, intricately tooled leather purses, woollen sweaters, mitts and caps were some of the souvenirs bought at rock-bottom prices compared to home. Emeral rings worth more than $1,000 here could be purchased for $400 there, Mrs. Goss said.

Although there was no bargaining in Cuzco because so many tourists go there, the group was unanimous in saying the ancient Inca capital was well worth a repeat visit. "Cuzco is exotic, but not outlandish and has most of the modern conveniences," Dr. Goss said.

MARK TURI

The language barrier was a problem, with Loretta and Dr. Goss being the only Spanish-speaking people in the group. Casey said, "Language was a hassle," and asked how he liked the trip, he said, "I didn't like it at all."

Mark said, "I would go to Cuzco again, but next time take the Brazil route. It's easier."

As for Pat, she said, "I loved it. If they ever do anything I'm going."

WINTER TERM

Winter term registration for full-time day students will take place on Monday, Dec. 5, 1977.

Manera says college must cut corners

By EUGENE FELTON

The president has instructed college staff to cut corners from corners this year—and says this may be "preferable" to program reductions.

In a memo to all staff last month, A. S. Manera, college president, outlined possible money-saving measures ranging from eliminating kleenex and turning out lights to charging for parking.

"It is to be appreciated that many of the measures introduced to date and additional measures being contemplated will create some inconvenience and require certain adjustments on the part of students and staff," the memo said. "These adjustments, however, are preferable to the program reductions which would otherwise have to take place."

Measures being implemented immediately include:

Free meals for staff on campus are to be eliminated; college funds may now only be used for meals by staff off campus, on authorized college business.

The extension division of the college will increase the amount of "cost-plus" programing for busniess and industry and kleenex will no longer be provided to faculty for personal use.

Among suggestions slated for "further study" are plans to establish a parking fee, place a premium charge on reserve parking space. A longer academic year and fewer hours of weekly instruction will be considered along with ways of increasing revenue from vending machines and the cafeteria.

For the future, the administration aims at all post-secondary programs having no more than 24 "teacher-contact hours" per week by September, 1979, and total average section size of 20, by next September.

Most of the ideas and suggestions arose from a faculty and administration "brainstorming" session which took place at the Rainbow Hotel Centre in early June.

Other cost cutting measures that will be implemented immediately are: Lights will be shut off when not needed, the plant department will look into further reductions in lighting where it is feasible. Clothing issued to college employees will now be monitored. Photo copying will be monitored and attempts will be made to reduce advertising costs.

All schools will attempt to combine day and evening classes in the 4p.m. to 6 p.m. time slot.

Other suggestions to be considered include the possibility of publishing the college calendar every two years instead of annually. The administrative side of the School of Retraining will be studied to see if it can be run more efficiently and cheaply from the main campus. Health Sciences will look into ways of cutting down the costs of nurse transportation.

FALL TERM ENDS

The fall term for full-time day students ends on Friday, Dec. 16, 1977.

(Photo by Newell)

Fabrication of church cross

Retraining students Donald Bliss and Tim Cidor have worked diligently for five weeks on a brass cross for the Fonthill United Church.

Harold Sutton, technology instructor in retraining, was approached by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mansfield of Fonthill to design and make a cross for their church.

They will donate a bursary to the Niagara Student Chapter 93 when the cross is complete.

"The bursary will be shared equally among the department of technology and the retraining division to be awarded to the most deserving student in the chapter," Mr. Sutton said.

They intend to do similar projects to raise money for bursaries.

technology students will hang the cross at the dedication service on Oct. 16.

Parade coverage praised by Davoud

Steve Guthrie, director of this year's radio and television videotaping of the Niagara Grape and Wine Festival parade, was thrown a last minute curve when the group was denied its usual parking space.

In other years, the van with control room apparatus has been parked at St. Paul and Geneva Streets, but the owner of a florist's shop at that corner adamantly refused to allow equipment to be set up there.

Steve managed to secure another location with the help of instructor Allan Cullimore on Church Street near the post office. The van must be near some kind of business to get the power needed to run all the equipment.

Aside from that one snag, luck and skill worked together on the side of the TV crew to provide successful coverage of the parade.

The students planned well, with a dry run through on the eve of the parade. They also arranged for on-the-spot interviews with spectators if there were any breaks in the procession of bands and floats. They had a spotter stationed up the road from where their cameras and van were situated to report when the parade started and they had first-year students guarding the equipment and controlling the crowd.

Senior technician Albert (Buddy) Chenard and assistant Fred Maniak kept the equipment working without incident throughout the 1½ hours of the parade.

True blind luck was the way the weather served them. The sky was dense all morning but rain held off until just after the parade was over. The crew managed to pack away most of their equipment without getting it wet.

RTV instructor Paul Davoud praised the students' work. He said it got to the point where all he had to do was sit back and watch. "It was the best camera work I've seen for the parade."

Steve explained that they made two videotapes of the event as it was happening, one to be sent to Armstrong Cable Television and the other for Maclean-Hunter caable service. The show was broadcast throughout the Niagaral region three times last week.

Balanced budget depends on union

All indications are that government levels of support will fall short of the college's financial needs in 1978-79, and whether the budget balances this year as it did last, will depend on the outcome of the union talks, Anthony Manera, president of Niagara College, said in his report to the board of governors on Sept. 22.

The outlook for 1978/79 may require a choice to be made between the use of reserves for operating expenditures and program reductions, he said. Another factor is the constant need for equipment additions and building improvements.

Because salary settlements for faculty have not been finalized, it is too early to determine whether the college will be successful in its attempts to break even this year.

"If a settlement is reached on Anti-Inflation Board lines I am confident we can break even this year," Mr. Manera said.

There was a surplus of $74,896 in 1976/77, but a portion of college reserves was used to cover capital expenditures. Failure to use reserves would mean turning back a substantial amount to the province.

Hobbies in night classes at college

Pottery-making, oil painting, yoga and weaving are only a few courses available to students who are interested in taking courses for enjoyment.

Dr. Eric Robinson, chairman of special fields for community college courses, said the courses help "break up the monotony of life," They are courses to enjoy with no exams.

Community education courses are non-credit courses which attract mainly adult students with full day jobs. Adult students normally 18 years and over or one year out of school can apply. "We don't want to compete with the school board," Dr. Robinson said.

The courses are self-contained, Dr. Robinson said. They give people the chance to do what they always wanted to do. Women in the homes get a chance to get out of the house. Men who work in a factory all day can forget it at night.

There is a rank discrimination against a large part of the public, he said. They deserve an equal chance at doing what they enjoy.

The courses are held on all campuses of Niagara College.

Exchange student travels to England

Niagara College student Cindy Stone, of the hotel and restaurant administration program is taking part in an international program in England this year..

The program is at High Peak College of Further Education in Harpur Hill, Buxton, Derbyshire, England.

Derrick Barnett, co-ordinator of the Niagara College hotel and restaurant program attended High Peak College so he is aware of its facilities.

It, "has some of the finest hotel school facilities in Europe and many different hotel programs ranging from education in the cooking trades to hotel administration," he said.

Apllicants for the exchange program were expected to contribute about $3,000 towards the school year. That is not including $1,000 donated by the Hotel Club which is financed by SAC.

During the school year Cindy will live at the college residence where room and board are provided.

The committee selected to choose the student consisted of second and third year students chosen by the full time faculty from the hotel and restaurant program.

Factors considered in selection included the students' marks, approach and temperament.

The High Peak program is very similar to Niagara's, Mr. Barnett said. But the Niagara program has two semesters beginning in October and finishing in May for three years while High Peak has three semesters beginning in September and finishing in July for two years.

Niagara's program does not begin until October because all students must work in related fields during the summer and most employers need them until the third week in September.

Cindy will enter second year at High Peak and when she returns to Niagara will begin her third year.

Mr. Barnett said Cindy had no immigration problems arranging for the exchange program, though she had to meet certain regulations. These included having a minimum of $4,000, a letter of acceptance from High Peak College and a current passport.

When she graduates, Cindy will receive a special diploma recognizing the international program.

14 of 17 pass Ont. exams

By HEATHER REID

Rumors of mass failures from a new program proved completely unjustified when 14 of the first 17 students in Niagara's one-year-old dental hygiene course passed provincial exams — and showed the success of Niagara's program.

Last spring, after reports that some similar programs were unsuccessful, fears were expressed among some students that the new program here was inadequate.

At two other colleges 100 per cent of the dental hygiene students failed the clinical section of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons exam and "we had difficulty convincing students the Niagara situation was different," Mary Bondarchuk, dental instructor, said.

"Niagara's dental hygiene course was successful because of integration of skill modules," Mrs. Bondarchuk said.

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The dental hygiene students at Niagara learned to scale teeth while practising polishing techniques on children and all their skills were put to use on adult patients. Other colleges failed because they treated each skill as a separate unit, rather than as part of the whole. Niagara was offering a one-year course and had made plans accordingly.

Next year the provincial exam will be held for three days rather than one and students will be tested on all clinical duties including impressions and rubber dams.

Placement was 100 per cent for the Niagara College hygienists and two new chairs have been installed to increase enrolment from 17 to 20 students, Barbara Zaritsky, dental co-ordinator, said.

Most of the girls went back to their home towns for jobs and "we had jobs left over."

NBC wants to push campus activities

Student involvement in campus activities is very poor, but Niagara Business Club (NBC) can change all that.

Now is the time to do something, Doug Finch, chairman of extension studies, told unsuspecting students on Sept. 27 in the Hamilton room.

Students from general business, legal assistants, retail management and business administration entered the Hamilton room expecting another ordinary class. To their amazement they got to listen to jokes, watch imaginary slides and see a magic trick.

The teachers, in co-operation with the NBC, told students their class would be held in the Hamilton room.

Positive mental attitude is what students should have, Mr. Finch told the mostly first-year students. Think positively; "everyday in every way, I'm getting better and better."

Two hundred and twenty-five listened while Bill Fink, NBC president, told how NBC got started. Last February during the great blizzard of '77 when about 700 students were stranded at the college for the weekend, many realized the lack of social activities. Larry Cote, co-ordinator of marketing and advertising asked some business students to revive a club like the Retail Marketing Club which slowly died down over the years.

The basic idea of the club is "to be the biggest and best club in Niagara College," Bill said.

Student cinematographers work like pros

By ROB KELLY

Sunday morning, the final day of the Grape and Wine Festival, dawned wet and dull like most of the other 10 days. The winding roads of Burgoyne Woods were sprinkled with the trailers of campers pretending to rough it for the weekend.

Ron Kronstein, third-year radio and television student, drove to the central campground where a tent was set up for the blessing of the grapes. Ron was director of a film RTV students were making on the entire Grape Festival for the city of St. Catharines.

The blessing was one of the final events of a 10 day shooting schedule that had occupied all of the third year RTV students at one time or another, as well as Kevin Nicol of second year. They worked a rotating schedule, with different groups covering different events. It was the fourth film the students had produced for commercial distribution, and their routines were pretty well set.

Inside the tent where the blessing would be, Ron set up his lights and discussed technical problems with a CBC cameraman. The tent was dark and when they attempted to set up three lights to compensate they blew the circuit, three times. That was about as close to a problem as the writer saw in the two days he followed them around.

The film makers were confident about their capacities. Jim Davey, of third year, said he used to have problems that he recognized as consistent faults but experience had cured most of them. Ron said he occasionally forgot a piece of equipment or a simple, but necessary procedure.

All the students gravitated towards areas of preference. Greg Filion, in his final year, was known as the primary film editor. Ron was the director, because that's what he did best and Brad Cauthard, third year, was recognized as the best cameraman.

But there was a need for diversification too.

To shoot footage at the parade, Greg perched on the roof of a building amidst puddles of water.

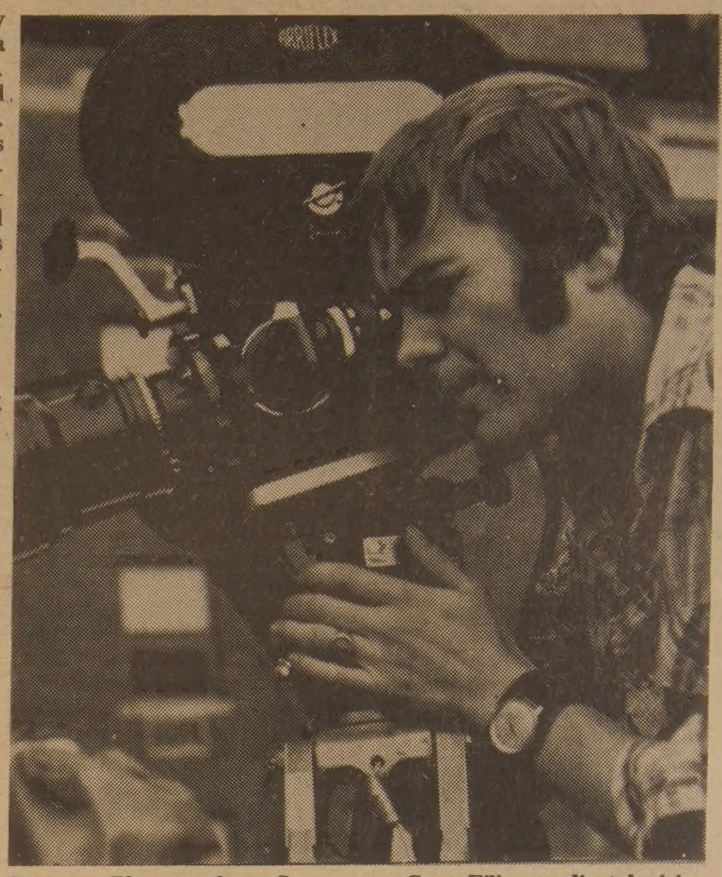
At the blessing of the grapes the minister suffered more difficulty than the film makers. Sweat poured down his face under studio lights.

As Ron walked along the side of the cordoned-off street on Saturday morning, children played to his camera, waving and asking when they would be on TV shouting salutations to relatives. Older people assured him they watched Channel 7 or 11, or whichever station they thought he represented.

During the parade itself a man in a wheelchair accosted Ron and demanded why he did not do a show on mutiple sclerosis.

"What can you say?" asked Ron. "I told him I thought it was a good idea."

Brad described a couple of social occasions he had attended during the festival where the people were something less than animated. At these events he would yell at them and cajole and goad them into reacting for his camera.



Focus on Photographer—Cameraman Greg Filion, radio television student, composes a shot of the Niagara Grape and Vine Festival. (Photo by Kelly)

His talent for putting people at ease was demonstrated Sunday afternnon when he and Greg roved around Montebello park filming the artisan's displays and onlookers. He pointed his camera at two young women viewing some paintings and they tightened up and began to move away.

"Don't run out on me now," he pleaded "C'mon." The two left, but they left smiling.

The student's contact with St. Catharines, Brian Leydon of the Ontario Editorial Bureau, a public relations firm, expects the film to be ready six weeks from the final day of the Grape and Wine Festival.

The film will probably be seen after hockey games and possibly on the American Publid Broadcasting System. Mr. Leydon said he had "set the machinery in motion." He does not expect a second rate product, nor do the students intend to deliver one.

One of Brad's pet phrases is "I'm trying to make a living, here."

All these students are trying to make a living. They try to dissociate themselves from the idea that they are in college. They want to be competitive on a professional level.

Greg summed up for all of them. "Some people think what we do is glamorous, exciting, but it's not, really. Some people work at the end of a shovel and I work at the end of a camera. it's just a job."

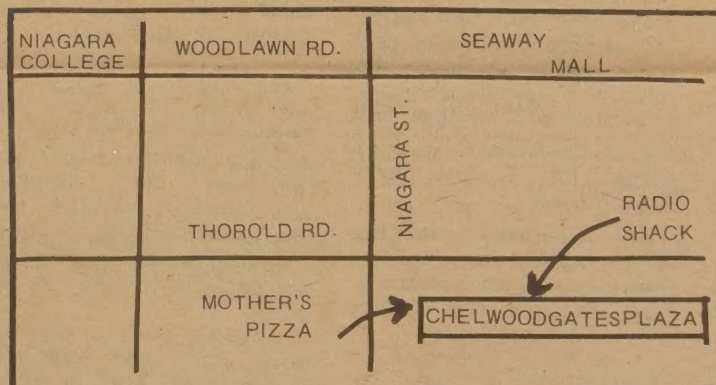
Or, as they all hope, a career.

YMCA free to students

The Niagara College Athletic Department is again offering 25 free YMCA memberships for men and women this year.

The Welland YMCA is reserved every Tuesday from noon till 2 p.m. for any full-time student who wishes to use the facilities. The program ends June 30, 1978.

All you have to do is present your student card at the YMCA and you are admitted free.



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